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Early Spring Styles

You are especially invited to inspect them during the next few days

Women's and Misses' Suits

Here are some very, very smart new Spring Suits. These Suits come as advance heralds to tell us that spring is on the way. The chief noticeable distinction in these new garments traces its inspiration to the Military. Jackets seem to have a tendency to end in points and belts are popular. The linings of most jackets are the one thing contradictory of simplicity, for these are almost universally of gay silks. A narrowness, or even fullness prevails in most all skirts. Leading shades are Rookie, Pekin Blue, Gray, Navy and Black.

You will like these Suits we are sure.

Prices range from \$14.98 to \$45.00

The Spring Coats are Very Lovely

And the variety is so wide that you are sure to find precisely the Coat you want, besides, you have the satisfaction of knowing that the particular style you choose is confined to you. One of a style is the method adopted in selecting our garments. Coat materials are Serge, Poplin, Delhi Cloth, Burella, Gabardine and Tricotrine, with all the latest fashion touches of the hour, and the most modish spring shades. Sizes include regulars and stouts.

Prices are from \$10.95 to \$35.00

BARRE DAILY TIMES

THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 1918.

The Weather

Snow to-night; Friday probably fair; fresh north winds, becoming strong on the east Maine coast.

TALK OF THE TOWN

New wash silk waists at Abbott's. Caramel and vanilla ice cream at Russell's to-day.

Big shipment leather heel red sole rubbers arrived at Shea's. Ronald McMillan returned yesterday from a week's visit in New Haven, Conn. William Desmond in "Taddy O'Hara," a Triangle feature, and "Her Finishing Touch," a comedy, at the Bijou to-day.

Simon White and son of Clayville, Pa., retail monument dealers, are registered at Hotel Barre while on a buying trip to the Barre granite district.

Among the Orange people who came to Barre yesterday to attend the Goose Green festival are Representative Frank Haynes, Frank Ladd, L. E. Nelson and Don Richardson.

H. M. Ream of Mansfield, O., a former resident of Barre, is registered at Hotel Barre while passing several days in the city on business connected with the local office of Ream & McBeck.

A large number of visitors in the city yesterday included people from Orange, Granville, Washington, Plainfield, Brookfield and Trow Hill, who came here to attend the Goose Green carnival. R. W. McMillan, who recently completed a long period of service in the state hospital at Waterbury, went today to Burlington, where he has secured a position as an attendant in a private hospital.

The Italian Pleasure club has added to the furnishings of its suite of rooms in the Scamplin building by the purchase of a hurdy-gurdy. The instrument arrived in the city yesterday and the first concert took place last evening.

H. M. Farnham's 85th combination auction sale of fresh horses and commission horses, sleds, sleighs, harnesses, robes, blankets, whips, halters and other property will be held at his stables on Northfield street, Montpelier, to-morrow at 1 o'clock p. m. C. F. Smith, auctioneer.

Increased and improved facilities for displaying merchandise at the Homer Fitts store are to result from alterations which carpenters are making in the windows of the establishment. More attractive backgrounds for enclosed window settings have been built, and other improvements added.

This afternoon the Goose Green committee completed negotiations with John McElroy, the Barre & Chelsea railroad engineer, who was awarded the Holstein heifer at the carnival last night, whereby the thoroughbred is to be returned to the carnival promoters. The animal was donated by A. T. & A. L. Smith of Trow Hill, and it has not ceased to be a money maker for the Red Cross, as arrangements have been made to auction it off at the show this evening. The Holstein is regarded as one of the most valuable gifts yet received, and is bound to bring a fancy price.

At police headquarters to-day Chief Simelard learned that Peter Kelly, the young Canadian soldier, whose pilgrimage to Boston was interrupted at East Brookfield last week, had been returned to the barracks of the 1st Quebec regiment in Montreal. An officer from the Canadian metropolis arrived early this week to take charge of Kelly, who was detained in the Washington county jail. He was quoted as saying that technically Kelly could not be treated as a deserter, inasmuch as he had not been absent from the barracks 21 days when he was turned over to the Canadian authorities. Reports from the commanding officer of the Quebec regiment indicated that Kelly is not being treated as a deserter.

The Brattleboro Reformer says: "Human emotions of wide variety were stirred by the terrific appeal in the Auditorium last evening by George Adams, formerly of Scotland, later a staff officer in the British ministry of munitions, and now a resident of Montreal. Humor, pathos, admiration, bitterness and various types of sentiment were manifested in laughter, tears, applause and other forms of expression on the part of the house."

It was a wonderfully thrilling and impressive address and it gave to the audience a deeper insight into the real situation abroad and revealed the brutal character of the foe." Hear Mr. Adams at the opera house, Thursday, March 14, benefit local Red Cross.

Among the guests arriving at Hotel Barre last night and this morning were the following people: J. Greenleaf of St. Albans, George Bruns of Rutland, W. J. James of Keeseville, W. J. Jones of Burlington, H. H. Lane of Springfield, F. W. Heywood of Burlington, G. H. Goss of Plattsburg, N. Y., J. S. Shaw of Middlebury, W. L. Stackpole of Concord, Rev. Reuben S. Smith of Boston, Ordo L. Hatch of Rockland, Me., W. E. Skiffings of Concord, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Caley of Providence, R. I., Jack St. John of Plattsburg, O. L. M. Gahnd of Northfield, L. M. Herman of Hartford, C. C. Hamblett of Orleans, F. C. Phillips and H. W. Orser of Northfield, P. J. McGuire of Portland, Me., Frank J. Dragoon of Plattsburg Royal Lord of Manchester, N. H., and L. C. Custer of Washington, D. C.

Private Baker.

Private Edward M. Baker has paid the "last full measure of devotion" to his country, to quote Lincoln's words. He is the first Brattleboro soldier to lose his life on the soil of France. He is no less a hero and a martyr from the fact that he died from accident instead of meeting the enemy's charge. Cheerfully and willingly he offered his services to his country knowing that the answer might be death. His young heart rang true with patriotic fervor and he was willing to do and dare. He was but little more than a child in years—17—but he was every inch a man in his courage and loyalty to his country. Every heart in Brattleboro is touched in this first death of a home soldier who braved the dangers across the water to do his part—not his bit—in the great cause. To his father and mother and his young brothers and sisters the heartfelt sympathy of the community will go out in full measure.—Brattleboro Reformer.

Special communication of Granite Lodge, No. 33, F. and A. M., Friday, March 8, at 7:30 p. m. Work, M. M. degree. Per order W. M.

Regular meeting of Winnetka council, No. 10, D. of P., Thursday, March 7, at 6:30 o'clock, at the Goose Green. Wants the hall at the close of the meeting. No refreshments.

CROWD FILLED TWO BIG HALLS

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Paul Boulerice; coffee and tobacco, Nye & Worcester; vegetables, Wilbur French; butter, Mrs. Fred Belyille; can of milk, George Adams and son; two quarts of peaches, Mrs. Ellen Ward; \$1 cash, Hugh Raycraft; vegetables, M. L. Towne, Richard Lawless; bushel potatoes, Elmer Folsom; bushel potatoes, Fred Heath; two dozen eggs, John Tucker; bushel potatoes and half-bushel apples, Leland Little; bushel potatoes, G. A. Lane.

The committee which generously gave its time to assembling these gifts consisted of Walter Carr, Carl Huse and Fred Heath.

From a venerable lady and friend of the Red Cross came the following lines this morning:

My dear Boys: If yew can love yer hoss trot long enuff, I wish yew wud tote these peaces of papur tew the town haouse. Here ez \$5. Naow boys, dont yew go tew spendin of it fer candy and peanuts, fer it is fer the Goose Green Karnival. If yew boys do use this fer candy yew will git switched fer it when yew get hum, and dont yer forget it.

"Mother."

P. S. Yew needent tell who sent this, boys.

Goose Green The seven of Mar

Will Drew, Presdt, Barre, Vt.

Aour dore Will: The Higg Goose Green Wintur Karnival a Kattil Show opined yesterday evning with a yew hoss race betwene Doc Barr an F. Slayton. Et hed tew be kawled orf bekox Gramp Cutlur buttud en an enstaud on bein en the race weth hiz of pluggs—but the crowd wuz so bigg that the rode wudnt hol 3 hosses erbreast.

J. Pirie from Granitvil wuz very conpkyus et the Aukshun bi hiz perferment. He wuz a pattront Et is hard tew bete Mister Pirie. Yew know, Will, J. K. perduces Dark stock an tew ballunce the Hill upp propurly Mister Jim Boutwel an Harv Varnum an Missus Milne giv us there chek fer \$75. Perty nice fer the Granitvil bosses, wuz et, Will?

An on the lite side of the Hill Sam Jackson city a Morgin colt the perduces sum monie etself.

The peepul from Orange, Washington, Trow Hill, So. Barre, an the res of Barre taown, Montpelier an Brookfield kam anwl stoud et rize an sed they wuz kumin bak tewnite alser.

Butt, Will, of yew think this hummed las nite, yew kin bett yore bottim dolour et tewnite will be et of cocker. Yores trewly, Goose Green Cominity.

P. S. An Will, ded yew sed Fightin Charley Melchur et the Boss trot? P. s number 2—An we alser wundur of yew notuced haow sum of thoz of "Hez bins" stek eraoun "For Men Only."

STOP PRESS NEWS.

There is a strong probability—and it is growing stronger ever minute—that the Goose Green festival so auspiciously inaugurated last evening will be extended until to-morrow at midnight, thus providing an opportunity for the Ancient and Honorable Order of Hay Teddies from Granville to stage a grand parade. Details of the big hop, should present plans mature, are among the missing, but the more bucolic pastimes of the Green are bent on making a strong finish, and as they are accustomed to having their own way, it is almost certain that an old-fashioned country "bawl," with a generous sprinkling of square riggers, including a number of postponed Virginia reels, will figure most conspicuously.

Health Insurance Advanced By Organized Labor.

New York, March 7.—"Health insurance must now be reckoned with as a war time demand of organized labor," says a statement issued to-day by the American association for labor legislation. "By giving first place to such a measure on its immediate legislative program, the State Federation of Labor in New York—the largest industrial state—has indicated the lines along which health insurance for wage earners will make most rapid progress among the states."

Labor federations in many other states, including Wisconsin and New Jersey, according to the statement, have also taken advanced favorable action on the proposal for sickness and maternity benefits for the working millions and for prevention of avoidable illness.

"The bill just adopted by the Federation of Labor in New York and the illuminating report by its committee on health," the association declares, "embody the well tested principles which practical experience among our allies has proved to be necessary. The insurance is made to cover all employees, the employers and workers to contribute equally to the cost and share equally in the management of the mutual sick funds, under the general supervision of the state. Special emergency care for widows, insured workmen and for working mothers is provided. The active co-operation of organized labor, upon definite and feasible proposals, will influence largely the course of health insurance legislation in the United States as the next step following workmen's compensation for the protection of the industrial population against evils which accompany sickness disability."

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

CHALMERS 1917 SIX-CYLINDER ROAD-STER FOR SALE—Run 1200 miles, paint and carmine perfect, a good one for some one apply Holmes' Bakery, Barre. 20115*

FOR SALE—One pair of black horses, weight 1400 lbs. each. J. A. Bondum, Clogston Farm, Williamstown, Vt. 20116*

WANTED—Before April 1st, parties to rent boarding house: everything furnished, woman to cook and manage place at \$40 per month, girl or woman to help at \$25.00 to \$25.50 a week. Husband for general utility man at \$40 to \$45 a month and board. Call manager on phone for details, Vermont Copper Co. South Stratford, Vt. 20118

WANTED—A good home on farm for boy 19 years old, and girl 11 years old, to work for their board. Call at 21 Maple avenue, Barre. 20112*

TO RENT—Six-room cottage on North Seminary street; apply to Mrs. Mary Nichols, Richardson street. 20114*

WANTED—To hire or take on shares from 1 to 2 years, a farm with stock and tools. Inquire of G. F. Clark, 124 North Main street, Barre. 20116*

FOR SALE—Oxen, Holsteins, age four, sixth six feet and a half; Jersey heifer, age three years, 2000 pounds; also some other good stock. Call on Mrs. M. M. degree. 20115*

LOST—Wednesday between Five and Ten Cent Store and Brookfield street, a small coin case containing one of someone's coins will receive reward by returning it to Times of Barre. 20111*

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MONTPELIER

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governing the taking of liquor from a car which was consigned to a person other than the party taking the liquor. V. A. Bullard, district attorney, was communicated with over the telephone by Grand Juror John H. Stone and Chief Connolly, with the result that at first they were advised to have Commissioner H. C. Shurtliff sign a warrant; but this could not be done, so Mr. Crespo was held under the Vermont public statutes on the charge of larceny, it being alleged that he stole beer from the car, which were attached to the doors to secure them. He furnished bail and was released.

A letter has been received at the office of the state fuel commissioner from Scott Fellows, the local fuel committee man in Wells River, setting forth the work which Miss Catherine Dow did in cutting her cord of wood in 15 hours, to which the fuel administrator has replied and in part he states: "It would be good for them to get out and work and their services would not only be appreciated but are highly needed." This pertains to complimentary remarks made of Miss Dow and her project of which considerable prominence has already been given her in the press.

Commissioner of Education M. B. Higgins, Prof. Clyde Hill, Prof. B. C. Douglas and Prof. H. H. Gibson go to Burlington this evening to attend on Friday the annual school conference of Vermont with the state university. The speakers in the morning will be Henry W. Holmes of Harvard university, S. J. Phelps of the state university, while in the afternoon, with Mr. Douglass presiding, a discussion as to the classification of high schools will take place. Later in the afternoon the semi-annual meeting of the Headmaster club of the state will occur. Prof. J. B. Jenkins and Prof. H. H. Gibson will speak upon the agricultural work.

In probate court this morning the will of A. J. Sibley, late of Montpelier, was proven and F. N. Smith was named as executor.

Charles A. Aldrich of Sutton has been appointed justice of peace in place of H. A. Blake of the same town, deceased. During the absence of Gov. H. F. Graham, under instructions from Secretary Harvey Goodell, repairs are being made upon the floor of the executive chambers. The flooring under the carpeting had dried so that it was considerably noisy when persons walked across the room.

Although the fifth carpenter has not yet put in an appearance in the office of the local exemption board, the clerk this morning received the report of two more young men who have enlisted in the naval reserve. These are Byron Tilton of Montpelier and Philip Gordon of Barre. There are also two others who have enlisted in the same service, namely, Byron S. Kane of Worcester and Franklin Dwinell of Calais.

Almon Moore has commenced his duties as fireman in place of John Bartlett, who recently left for Boston, having been called there to assume his duties at the base hospital in which he enlisted some months ago.

City Clerk T. R. Merrill made his report Wednesday to the commissioner of fish and game, Linus Leavens of Cambridge, which showed that licenses amounting to \$931.90 had been sold in this city during 1917. This is divided into, resident fishing, 415, total \$249; non-resident fishing, 29, total \$388; resident hunting, 259, total \$176.40; resident hunting and fishing, \$400, total \$400.

Received an invoice of Voile Waists, in the most fetching styles, in White with a dainty colored stripe, small checks, plaids and plain White. These have the new Peter Pan, Buster Brown, as well as the large sailor collars.

Observe the price, \$1.00 each.

Peggy Paige Dresses are going. These models radiate quality down to the last thread. Newest models in plain silk, stripes, plaids, georgette and silk combinations, plain serge and silk, and serge combinations, from \$12.75 to \$25.00.

Mrs. Shepard Co. Inc.

Cafe Shepard downstairs.

ALASKA PAYS WELL.

Its Mineral Output in 1917 Was More Than \$41,000,000.

Alaska continues to be a good paying investment for Uncle Sam, its mineral output in 1917 having been more than \$41,000,000, and although the production of gold was somewhat reduced the interest in the gold placers is still keen.

HANDLING WORN SOIL.

Simple Method of Cultivation Triples Productivity of Poor Land.

One of the greatest needs in order to increase the production of crops on worn soil in the eastern states is the addition of a liberal supply of humus or vegetable matter to the soil. This need is being supplied by many enterprising farmers by growing degum crops and turning them under. That the farmers who have adopted this practice are being amply repaid is shown by the increased yields which they are able to secure.

Corn Yield Increases from 15 to 50 Bushels.

On one farm in Caroline county, Va., the regular practice had been to grow corn on the land one year in three and to allow each field to "rest" during the other two years. The "resting" process was to allow weeds and trash to grow up and thus accumulate sufficient fertility for another crop of corn. With this system of cropping the yield of corn ranged generally from 15 to 18 bushels. The improvement of the soil on this farm began first by planting one of the poorest fields to cowpeas. The cowpeas were cut for hay and the stubble disked and seeded to crimson clover. The following spring the crimson clover crop was turned under and the field planted to corn. At the last working of the corn, crimson clover was again sown. The following spring the same process was repeated by turning under the crimson clover and planting corn again on the same land. This practice was continued for five years. The third year the yield of corn was about 40 bushels to the acre and the fifth year the crop made a yield of 50 bushels to the acre.

Grows Good Wheat Crop.

Up to the time of the change in the cropping system, it had been the regular practice to apply 200 pounds of 16 per cent acid phosphate per acre to each crop grown. Under that system, however, crop yields could not be maintained. After the change in cropping system, the same amount of acid phosphate was applied each year to the corn crop. The only real change in method was to grow first a crop of cowpeas and after that to turn under a catch crop of crimson clover in preparation for the corn each year. The improvement in soil condition is further evident from the fact that after the fifth consecutive corn crop, wheat was sown and a yield of 22 bushels per acre was harvested.

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